

DECATUR, ILLINOIS.
Wednesday Evening, April 4.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

Go to Niedermyer's, near the mound, for best sugar cured ham.
Try the Fast Mail fine cut at Newell & Hammer's.
Harvey Downing's back makes calls in all parts of the city.
B. F. Taylor's truck meets all trains by day or night.
Post keeps all the latest musical publications and most popular songs.
Call on Abel & Locke for fine carpet goods.
Beautiful Lambrequins and all varieties of Curtain Goods at Abel & Locke's.
For nice Brushes and Spoons call on Armstrong.
For heavy or Hack service call on the Laux Brothers, South of the St. Nicholas Hotel.
Complete stock of Queensware, cheaper than ever, at Bishop & Stoy's, Feb. 23-dtf

Sad Suicide.

Yesterday evening about five o'clock a sad suicide took place at Litchfield, the subject of it being Mr. W. P. Lee, roadmaster on the St. Louis branch of the Wabash line, having charge of the division extending from Decatur to Litchfield. The circumstances attending the sad affair were about as follows: A short time before the deed was committed Mr. Lee remarked to his clerk that he would soon be dead as alive, and intimated that he was suffering on account of family troubles. Upon parting from his clerk the unhappy man entered his office, and the clerk thought no more of the remark of his superior. In the course of thirty minutes, as train time was approaching, the clerk entered the office and found Mr. Lee sitting in a chair apparently asleep. Giving him a slight jog with a view to awaken him, he falling to engage his attention, the man became alarmed, and upon seeing his attention more particularly the condition of Mr. Lee, discovered that blood was trickling down his face, and upon further examination found that in his right hand was a revolver, one barrel of which was empty, indicating that he had shot himself, though no one heard the report of the pistol, the ball entering his head just above the left temple. Mr. Lee was a most estimable gentleman, and was highly esteemed by those in his employ, and indeed by all who knew him. This being one terrible of his division on the road he was of course well known here.

A Big Count.—The township election necessitates the handling of more than one hundred and fifty thousand votes. During the most rapid voting yesterday, in one hour and twenty-five minutes five hundred votes were polled. It is conceded by everybody that the present election board is the most efficient one that has ever served in the town.

Oakley Township Election.—The election in Oakley township yesterday called out a full vote, and resulted in the election of the following persons as officers for the ensuing year: Supervisor, Wm. Grason; Assessor, Hamilton McCoy; Collector, John Lichtenberger; Justices of the Peace, David Sanders, Wm. Rucker, Jr.; Constable, Aaron Gieglich.

From Kansas.—Mr. Charles McCone, of Larned, Kas., formerly of this city, arrived in town on Monday night. Mr. M. is a millwright, and has been engaged in putting up a flouring mill at Larned for Van Horn Brothers, formerly of Macon. He will remain here for a few weeks, when he expects to return. He represents the wheat fields as looking unusually fine. Some tears are entertained of grasshoppers, but it is thought that by taking pains to destroy the eggs their ravages may be prevented.

Call and Examine our Side Lace Shoes for Ladies, Misses and Children. March 27-dtf Mostgomery & Co.

The Fire Yesterday.

Soon after noon yesterday, and alarm of fire was sounded, and a smoke was seen rising in the western part of the city indicated that some building was burning in that vicinity. The firemen rushed in that direction, and soon found that the fire two-story residence of Geo. S. Lyon, on West Eldorado street was in flames, and so great was the distance of the fire from the hose house that the fire had made considerable progress before the boys arrived, and then the distance of the burning house from the hydrant caused further delay, so that the building was nearly destroyed before water could be thrown upon it. The fire took in a back kitchen in a box of shavings. As there had been no fire in this room for a day or two, the suspicion is that the fire was set by an incendiary. The loss to Mr. Lyon will be about two thousand dollars, and we are sorry to learn that he had no insurance. The furniture was mostly saved.

Wanted.—A furnished room for two single gentlemen, within two blocks of the court house. Leave address at this office. 3 ds*

Removed.—Alex. F. Jonison's stock of watches, clocks, jewelry, etc., to Keeler's hat store, one door east of Millikin & Co.'s bank. apr3-d3t

Regular Meeting.

DECATUR, ILL., April 3, 1877.
Present—Mayor Chambers, Aldermen Barnett, Bramble, Ehrman, Harpatrice, Harwood, Kuny, Muzzy, Nichols, Swearingen and Wayne.
Minutes of meeting, held March 5th, 8th and 21st, read and approved.
The following communication was received and, on motion, nominations for chief and assistants were confirmed:
HEADQUARTERS DECATUR FIRE DEPARTMENT—To his Honor the Mayor and Council of the City of Decatur: At a meeting of the Decatur Fire Department on Friday evening, March 23rd, 1877, the following named were selected as the choice of the Department for Chief and Assistants for the ensuing year, and are very respectfully submitted to you for confirmation:
Chief Engineer—William Dodson.
1st Asst. —John Ulrich.
2d —Joseph Hewes.
Very respectfully submitted,
E. D. CARTER, JR.,
Secretary D. F. D.

The preamble and resolutions adopted by the Decatur Fire Department March 23d, 1877, were received and ordered placed on file.

A petition signed by W. T. Gannon and others, in relation to tiling ditch on the west side of block 1, Plant & Tuttle's Addition, was received, and referred to the committee on streets and alleys.

George F. Wessels and others petitioned the Council to appoint Thomas Hamilton on the police force. Referred to the mayor.

Wm. M. Wilson and others, property owners on West Prairie street, petitioned the Council to establish the north line of Prairie street, between Monroe and Pine street. Petition referred to the committee on streets and alleys with instructions to report to the adjourned meeting to be held April 10th, 1877.

Ald. Muzzy moved that when the Council adjourns that we adjourn until April 10th, 1877. Motion prevailed.

George Dempsey, city supervisor, made a report of lumber expended, also labor performed during the month of March, 1877. Report received and warrants ordered issued in payment for labor.

Sullivan Burgess, Sup't of the water works, made a report of water rents collected, expense of running water works, also amount expended extension of water works. Report received and warrants ordered issued in payment for labor performed.

Report of M. K. Hatch, city treasurer, of monies received and expended on general and library account, was received and placed on file.

H. B. Durfee, retiring Chief of the Decatur Fire Department, made a report of the condition of the same and their doings during the past year. On motion the report was referred to the committee on fire and water.

Thomas B. Albert, J. P., made a report of police cases tried during the month of March, 1877. Report received and placed on file.

The committee on gas and gaslights reported back the claim of the Decatur Gaslight & Coke Co. for the month of February, 1877, as correct, and a warrant was ordered issued for the amount—\$216.90.

Claim of the Decatur Gaslight & Coke Co. for the month of March, 1877, was referred to committee on gas and gaslights.

The following claims were approved and warrants ordered in payment, viz: Staunton Fields, cleaning police headquarters, \$5.25; Hubbard & Swearingen, stationery, \$4.19; Geo. H. Bliss & Co., telegraph wire, \$34.70; J. G. Hofacker, jail account, March, 1877, \$61.30; John W. Rogers, blacksmithing, \$9.00; J. S. Hewes, gas account, \$75.05; Western Coal & Mining Co., coal, \$108.50; Ferris & Emmons, gasoline, \$33.00.

Warrants were ordered drawn upon the library account for the following amounts, viz: Lyon & Patterson, \$17; Decatur Gaslight & Coke Co., \$13.20; R. L. Evans, \$50; Mrs. R. L. Evans, \$19.64; R. L. Evans, \$5; B. D. Buzin, \$1.50.

The following resolutions were presented and adopted.

By Ald. Swearingen:
Resolved, That the street commissioner be authorized to notify the agent of the L. B. & W. R. R. to construct a sidewalk crossing between their tracks on the west side of Morgan street.

By Ald. Wayne:
Resolved, That bids for the city printing for the ensuing year be received at our next meeting.

By Ald. Ehrman:
Resolved, That Samuel Powers and F. N. Ewing be authorized to lay down a stone crossing across East Main street from their building across to F. Millikin's bank, at their own expense, and that the said resolution be referred to the committee on sidewalks and crossings with power to act.

By Ald. Harwood:
Resolved, That the committee on public improvements be instructed to examine the building belonging to the city used by the fire department in the third ward, and report at the next meeting of the Council the propriety and feasibility of arranging said building so that the second story can be used for council-room and city offices. And also report the cost of making such change and of putting on an additional story and fitting the same for the use of the fire department.

By Ald. Ehrman:
Resolved, That the finance committee be instructed to settle with the treasurer every month, and destroy the warrants that have been paid during the past month.

Resolved, That the street supervisor be instructed to lay down in the ditch in front of M. P. Murphy's residence, tiling of the size of 15 inches, and also repair the ditch and street in front of the residence of James Hollinger, on South Main street, and that the resolution be referred to committee on streets and alleys.

By Ald. Barnett:
Resolved, That the salaries of the city officers for the month of March be allowed and warrants drawn for the same.

Resolved, That the finance committee be authorized to invest eight thousand dollars in good interest bearing bonds, to be held by the city as a sinking fund, for the purpose of paying the bonds of the city maturing in January, 1879.
By Ald. Muzzy:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council be extended to Chief H. B. Durfee and Assistant Wm. Dodson and John Ulrich, and through them to the fire department, for their efficient and disinterested efforts towards the protection of the vital interests of our city and citizens during the past year.

The ordinance committee made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Hon. Mayor and City Council of the City of Decatur—GENTLEMEN: Your committee on ordinances to which was referred the rules of order of the Council, beg leave to report and recommend their adoption as the rules governing the sessions of this Council.

W. W. SWEARINGEN,
W. S. NICHOLS,
W. H. BRAMBLE,
FRED KUNY,
Committee.

The ordinance committee reported an ordinance to provide for grading and improving South Park street, which was adopted, on call of ayes and nays, by a unanimous vote of the Council.

The ordinance committee reported an ordinance to provide for the collection of special assessments, which was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Council on call of ayes and nays.

The ordinance committee reported an ordinance for the protection of birds, which was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Council on call of ayes and nays.

The same committee also reported an ordinance amendatory of an ordinance, entitled "An ordinance regulating the setting of curbs and the planting of trees upon the streets," which was read and referred back to the committee with instruction to report at the next meeting of the Council.

The bond of Norman Pringle was read and approved.

The bond of Forgason Raymon, for license to sell intoxicating liquors for a term ending June 12, 1877, under transfer of license from Wm. Loughbom, was approved and transfer ordered.

The bond of Andrews & Callin, for license to sell intoxicating liquors for a term ending July 1st, 1877, was read, approved, and license ordered issued.

Voting aye: Ald. Bramble, Ehrman, Harpatrice, Kuny, Muzzy and Swearingen. Nays: Ald. Barnett, Harwood, Nichols and Wayne.

The bonds of Eli Brennenman, Lewis R. Cain and Chas. Weibel, jr., for license to sell intoxicating liquors for a term of six months, were approved and license ordered issued.

Bonds of Andrew Rothfuss, Frederick Deppe and Wm. Ryan for license to sell intoxicating liquors for a term of six months were approved and license ordered issued.

On motion of Ald. Ehrman the Mayor and Register were authorized to execute a deed to Peter M. Wyckoff to all of that strip of land lying between the east line of Boyd Street in said city of Decatur produced south through lot number eight (8), in the southwest quarter of section fifteen (15), in township sixteen (16) north, range two (2) east of the 3rd P. M., and the east side of said lot eight (8).

On motion the Council adjourned until April 10, 1877, 7 1/2 p. m.

Attest: GEO. P. HARDY,
Register.

You can get a pair of ladies' kid side-lace shoes for \$2, at
BARBER & BAKER'S.

March 22 d&w1w

Men's Plow Shoes, from \$1.75 to \$2, at
BARBER & BAKER'S.

March 22 d&w1w

Wanted.—Employment a portion or all of his time as book-keeper, salesman, or otherwise. Address L. Republican office.

March 23 dtf

When you call on E. B. Pratt, at 37 North Church street, for your meat and groceries, you can leave orders for wood, either stove or cord-wood length, which will be promptly delivered in any part of the city.

Nov. 25 d&w3n

Wanted.—At the Farmers' Store, No. 37 North Church street, in exchange for goods and greenbacks, Butter, Eggs, Chickens, Pork, Beef, Potatoes, Corn and Wood.

Nov. 28 d&w3n

For Sale.—A heavy two-horse spring wagon. Apply at the Central Marble Works.

March 30 d&w2w

A Word of Warning to Counterfeiters.

The wide-spread fame of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters causes a necessity on our part to remind, from time to time, whom it may concern, of the fact that imitating said article is a punishable offense, and we now give this word of caution, that we will most assuredly have all those persons engaged in re-filling our second-hand bottles, selling by the gallon or by the half, in any manner who are guilty of palming off the public a spurious article purporting to be our preparation, punished to the full extent of the law. We never fail to convict, as the New Orleans and St. Louis court records fully affirm. Penalty for counterfeiting, or dealing in counterfeit trademark goods, as set forth in a law recently passed by Congress—"Fine not exceeding \$1,000, or imprisonment not more than two years, or both such fine and imprisonment."

NOTICE TO DEALERS AND PURCHASERS.—Hostetter's Bitters are never, under any circumstances, sold in bulk, but always in bottles, with a finely engraved U. S. Internal Revenue (special proprietary) Stamp covering the cork of each bottle, fastened to both sides of the neck of same. All Bitters purporting to be Hostetter's, without this stamp, are counterfeit.

HOSTETTER & SMITH,
Pittsburgh, March 23, 1877.

April 2 d&w1w

The election yesterday called out the largest vote ever polled in Decatur township, the number of votes reaching 1,932. The work of counting of such a large vote must necessarily consume considerable time, and it may not be completed before midnight to-night. Up to the hour of going to press the count has progressed far enough to enable us to give the following figures, which are complete as far as they go:

For Supervisor.

J. W. Tyler..... 817
D. W. Brennan..... 1,050

For Assistant Supervisor.

Wm. Higgins..... 201
John Imboden..... 714
Benj. Dill..... 379
David Brockway..... 450
John Lindsay..... 450
A. A. Murray..... 810
Benj. F. Dodson..... 223

For Town Clerk.

Geo. P. Hardy..... 1,294
F. B. Tait..... 560

For Assessor.

G. A. Masterson..... 249
Fred J. Smith..... 576
J. C. Campbell..... 641
William Usrey..... 91
C. H. Fuller..... 452

For Collector.

Wm. T. Stamper..... 687
Wm. W. Foster..... 1,155

For Justices of the Peace.

Frank L. Wood..... 972
Joshua Baker..... 283
L. F. Muzzy..... 679
Ira B. Curtis..... 883
George Nebinger..... 290
Jonathan Hall..... 426
Mark Stuppon..... 95
J. W. Hartley..... 798
Wm. G. Barnes..... 290
Edward Hughes..... 281
T. B. Albert..... 681
James L. Peake..... 1,029

LONG CREEK.

At the election in Long Creek yesterday the following officers were elected:

For Supervisor, A. T. Davis; Town Clerk, J. S. Liser; Assessor, Geo. C. Davis; Collector, Z. R. Prather; Commissioner of Highways, Lewis Myers; Justices, I. S. Kiser, W. S. Herman; Constables, J. A. Cochran, Thos. C. Travis.

MACON.

For Supervisor, R. H. Woodcock; Town Clerk, B. F. Ely; Assessor, Oliver Gibson; Collector, E. D. Lawley; Justices, W. H. Sowell, Al. Harris; Constables, A. W. Biddle, J. A. Cook; Commissioner of Highways, M. G. Warren.

WHEATLAND.

For Supervisor, Hiram Ward; Town Clerk, Geo. S. Conard; Assessor, W. B. Smith; Collector, F. S. Randolph; Commissioner of Highways, W. B. Craycroft; Justices of the Peace, W. W. Falcener, J. O. Reed; Constables, W. S. Odor, Lewis C. Ellis.

BLUE MOUND.

For Supervisor, H. R. Rosegrants; Town Clerk, James M. Taylor; Assessor, Charles Wise; Collector, T. J. Pope; Justices, Wm. A. Austin, G. M. Taylor; Constables, H. G. Edwards, Wm. Weatherford; Commissioner of Highways, F. M. Abrams.

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For Supervisor, W. H. Wallace; Town Clerk, J. M. Hutchison; Assessor, J. S. Hughes; Collector, J. E. Davis; Justices, A. Pierce, M. J. Thomas; Commissioner of Highways, S. S. Davidson; Constables, J. J. O'Dale, A. M. Stoker.

PLEASANT VIEW.

For Supervisor, E. House; Town Clerk, H. H. Wise, Assessor, Jacob Waltz; Collector, P. M. Seiberling; Justices, O. Ulrich, Solomon Miller; Constables, J. B. Bowen, Wm. Boone; Commissioner of Highways, G. W. Proctor.

WHITMORE TOWNSHIP.

Supervisor, John C. Ruddock; Town Clerk, O. S. Stuart; Assessor, Benjamin Spooner; Collector, Henry Bowers; Commissioner of Highways, Jos. Miller; Justices of the Peace, C. H. Garver and R. M. Machan; Constables, John Stuart and John Magee.

To the Lapsed and existing policy holders of the Protection Life Insurance Company in Decatur. The General Special Agent for the United States of the Protection, Col. N. N. Tyner, is now in the city, and is desirous of meeting all the old policy holders of the company. Mr. L. B. C. Leffingwell has kindly tendered the use of his residence, at No. 44 South Main street, and all interested are requested to be present on Thursday evening, April 5, at 7:30 p. m. The nature of the late suit will be fully explained, and other matters in which policy holders are interested.

April 2d

Having used Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup in my practice for some time I am prepared to say, that it is a superior remedy for all cases of Coughs, Colds, and diseases of the lungs and chest.

DR. F. WALTMAN,
Springfield, Mich.

For sale by all druggists. (22-d1w

New Furniture, cheaper than dirt, at Bishop & Stoy's. feb23-dtf

Paper Cuttings.—Three for 25 cents, Bishop & Stoy's. feb23-dtf

RIBBONS. Great Bargains—Only 15 and 20 cents—worth 25c to \$1.00 per yard. March 31 d&w1f LINN & SCRUGGS.

A Complete Stock of Hats, Caps and Men's Furnishing Goods, now ready, at Keeler's Hat Store. March 25-d&w1mo

Madame Foy's Skirt-supporting Corsets; Moody's Abdominal Corsets, and Bortree's Adjustable Duplex Corsets, very cheap, at oct10-dwtf LINN & SCRUGGS.

Hemp Carpets are selling at 15 cents a yard, at March 9-dtf LINN & SCRUGGS.

Yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock a telegram came here addressed to the wife of the gentleman named at the head of this notice, announcing his death, and also that his body would arrive here on Thursday. Mrs. H., at the time, was absent at Peoria, attending upon her mother, who is very sick in that city, and the dispatch was at once forwarded to her, and she came home to day at noon.

Mr. Hatch, accompanied by his brother, left for Texas about the first of March with the hope that a change of climate would recruit his failing health, which had been gradually getting worse for several years, but the sequel shows that his hopes were not to be realized.

Deceased came to Decatur about 17 years ago, and was for several years engaged in the grocery business, and later in the agricultural implement business.

About 8 years since he was elected one of the justices of the peace for the township, and about two years later he was elected city treasurer, and was honored to a re-election to these responsible positions at each succeeding election until his death, the last city election taking place but a few weeks ago, at which he received a large majority of the votes cast for city treasurer. In the township election which took place the day of his death he was not a candidate.

Deceased was born in the town of Winfield, Herkimer county, N. Y., December 27, 1834, being 52 years of age at the time of his death. He was married in the town where he was born, in 1852, to Miss Mary M. Babcock, who, with one daughter, survives him. The remains are expected to arrive by the 10:30 train to-morrow night, and the funeral is expected to take place at 10 o'clock on Friday, at the Baptist church.

Mr. Hatch was a good man and held in a high degree the confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens. As a testimonial of respect the city headquarters are draped in mourning.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Post Office, at Decatur, Macon Co., Ill., uncalled for, April 7, 1877.

Bitzer Benj. Kinert Henry
Bishop J. B. Keeper Jacob R.
Blair Wm. L. Lininger W.
Brown Kate. Martin David
Clark Ellen. Martin R. G.
Connolly Martin. McVey Levi
Clark Mollie (2). McVale Lizzie
Curtin Pier E. Osbaugh Mattie
Coonert Rev W. R. Price Kate
Earl D (2). Parson William
Eicholtz Geo. Reed Miss Jennie
Elliot Tilly. Rites Sadie E.
Falconer Mamie (2). Schule D. T. W.
Freely Mrs. Mary P. Shaw Martha J.
Griswold H. Studybaker Hattie
Ginder James R. Torney William
Gamble W. R. Williams Jennie
Hedding D. B. Walker Moses
Jones Mrs. Naomi. Yocum John J.

R. P. LITTLE, P. M.

For Rent, within three blocks of the post office, a pleasant front room, with or without furniture; terms reasonable. Also board for four gentlemen. For information apply at this office.

March 13-dtf

On and after this date my Stores, Nos. 1 and 2 Court House Block, will not be closed until half-past 8 o'clock, p. M. each day.

R. LITTLE.
April 3, 1877-d1w

City Book Store.

VELOCIPEDES!

We have just received a line of the Handiest and Best Velocipedes ever shown in the city, which we will sell at VERY LOW PRICES. Please compare before purchasing.

A fresh stock of the Celebrated "Mahu" and "gadding"

BASE BALLS!

Just opened, at prices lower than ever before! Also,

SALL BATS, GUIDES, &C.

Also, a Complete Stock of

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Family and Pocket Bibles, Brackets, Picture Frames, &c.

J. M. Stookey & Co.

17 East Main-St.,
DECATUR, - ILLINOIS.
March 23, 1877-d&w2mo

Chancery Notice.

State of Illinois, Macon county, ss. Circuit Court of Macon county, May Term, A. D. 1877. Abiel L. Callin vs. Augusta Callin, in Chancery.

A FIDUCIARY OF THE NON-RESIDENCE of Augusta Callin, defendant above named, having been filed in the office of the clerk of said Circuit Court of Macon county, notice is hereby given to the said Augusta Callin, that the complainant heretofore filed his bill of complaint in said court on the chancery side thereof, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against said Augusta Callin, returnable at the Court House, in the city of Decatur, in said county, on the second Monday in the month of May (1877) next, as is by law required; which case is now pending and undetermined. S. McKEE, Clerk.

ELDRIDGE & HOWELL, Solicitors for Complainant.
Decatur, Ill., April 3, 1877-d&w2*

1877 SPRING 1877
DRY GOODS!
CARPETS!

Oil Cloths, Window Shades, Lace Curtains, Satin, Damask, etc., etc.

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Are receiving and have on Sale all the Novelties in British and French

DRESS GOODS!

Embracing every Shade and Grade, and at lower rates than have been offered since the War. Also a New and Elegant Stock of

CARPETS,

As low in price as they can be had anywhere in the United States,
Decatur, March 15, 1877-d&w1f

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and Com-
munity
Directors,
Secretary.